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(U) CALIFORNIA

(U) Los Angeles – 30 Indicted in Alleged International Drug-Trafficking Ring in US, Mexico, and Canada

(U) Federal prosecutors stated that 30 people have been indicted in connection with a conspiracy to send hundreds of pounds of drugs from Mexico through California and into Canada. At least 13 individuals have been arrested on narcotics charges involving international drug trafficking organizations moving bulk quantities of illicit drugs. Law enforcement agencies seized 944 pounds of cocaine, 20 pounds of heroin, 103 pounds of methamphetamine, and over 106 pounds of MDMA. The scheme included members of Canadian, Mexican, Serbian, Chinese, and Sudanese organized crime groups.

SOURCE: 5 September 2019, [NBC News](#)

(U) SOUTHWEST BORDER

(U) Mexico – Mexico Declares Success in Slowing Migrant Flow

(U) Mexico City – Mexico advised the number of migrants arriving at the US-Mexico border has fallen by 56 percent since an agreement with US officials three months ago to reduce the flow. The Foreign Secretary declared the measures a success and advised the deployment of the National Guard has generated few complaints about human rights. The Secretary will meet with US officials to review the results. Mexico has been accepting a higher number of migrants that wait in Mexico after requesting asylum to the US.

SOURCE: 6 September 2019, [ABC News](#)

(U) NATIONAL

(U) Maryland – Man Threatening Mass Shooting had 146 Guns

(U) Pasadena – A Maryland man, arrested for threatening a mass shooting at his workplace, had 146 guns stashed at his home. The suspect threatened staff at a machine shop in Pasadena by stating he would “shoot this whole place up” and even listing the order in which he’d kill his colleagues. Officers discovered the arsenal of weapons at his home when serving an extreme risk protection order after his arrest as part of the state’s red-flag law.

SOURCE: 5 September 2019, [New York Post](#)

(U) Texas– 37 Arrested in Sex Trafficking Bust in Houston Suburb

(U) Houston – The Human Trafficking Rescue Alliance’s Operation Independence pooled resources from nearly two dozen agencies and social service organizations leading to the arrest of 37 individuals. Undercover officers arranged meetings with victims and their traffickers that led to the detaining of numerous victims of human trafficking. The six-day sting separated dozens victims from their abusers and provided resources to rebuild their lives.

SOURCE: 5 September 2019, [Houston Chronicle](#)

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UNCLASSIFIED**(U) INTERNATIONAL****(U) Afghanistan– Taliban Suicide Bomber Kills at Least 10 Civilians, Two NATO Troops**

(U) Kabul – A Taliban suicide blast in the center of Kabul killed at least 10 civilians and two NATO soldiers. The explosion destroyed cars and shops in an area near the headquarters of Afghanistan's international military force and the US embassy. The Taliban claimed responsibility for the attack even as the insurgents and US officials have been negotiating a deal for US troop withdrawal.

SOURCE: 5 September 2019, [Reuters](#)

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